BY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE INTENT OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA TO PARTICIPATE WITH FULTON AND DEKALB COUNTIES IN THEIR GREENSPACE PROGRAMS AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY TO THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR GREENSPACE MONIES; TO ESTABLISH COMMUNITY GREENSPACE TRUST FUNDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Georgia General Assembly created the Georgia Greenspace Program which took effect on July 1, 2000; and

WHEREAS, in order to receive grant monies from the State of Georgia under the Greenspace Program, each eligible county must submit their own greenspace program to the Georgia Greenspace Commission, which then must approve the program; and

WHEREAS, both Fulton and DeKalb Counties have been designated as counties eligible to participate in the Georgia Greenspace Program; and

WHEREAS, municipalities that lie wholly or partly within an eligible county may qualify for a portion of that county's grant funds in proportion to the population of the jurisdiction if the county elects to participate in the Georgia Greenspace Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta is a municipality lying partly in Fulton County and partly in DeKalb County; and

WHEREAS, municipalities wishing to participate in the Georgia Greenspace Program must adopt legislation: (1) electing to cooperate and participate with the counties in such a program; (2) establishing Community Greenspace Trust Funds for such municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta wishes to participate in the Georgia Greenspace Program by cooperating with Fulton and DeKalb Counties in the development of their Greenspace Programs, to apply to the Georgia Department of Natural Resources for Greenspace monies, and to establish Community Greenspace Trust Funds in accordance with the Georgia Greenspace Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: The City of Atlanta shall cooperate and participate with both Fulton and DeKalb Counties in the development of their Greenspace Programs.

<u>SECTION 2:</u> The Mayor is hereby authorized to apply for and accept grants funded by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources under the Georgia Greenspace Program to acquire and protect greenspace in Dekalb and Fulton Counties.

<u>SECTION 3:</u> The Chief Financial Officer is hereby directed to establish two Community Greenspace Trust Funds (one for Atlanta-Fulton and one for Atlanta-DeKalb) and to administer said Trust Funds in accordance with the provisions of the Georgia Greenspace Program and Georgia law.

TRANSMITTAL FORM FOR LEGISLATION

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Committee Meeting Date(s) 10-11-00 City Council Meeting Date: 11/6/00							
CAPTION: AN ORDINANCE EXPRESSING THE INTENT OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA TO PARTICIPATE WITH FULTON AND DEKALB COUNTIES IN THEIR GREENSPACE PROGRAMS AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY TO THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR GREENSPACE MONIES: TO ESTABLISH COMMUNITY GREENSPACE TRUST FUNDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. BACKGROUND/FURPOSE/DISCUSSION:							
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